

What is claimed is:

1. An interference canceller apparatus that eliminates interference from an other user by generating an interference replica of the other user and subtracting the interference replica from a received signal, comprising:

hard deciding means for carrying out a hard decision on a signal after performing error correcting decoding 10 on the received signal;

error detecting means for carrying out error detection on a signal after the hard decision; and

replica generating means for generating, when the error detection result shows that the signal after the 15 hard decision is erroneous, the replica using a weighting factor to reduce the replica.

2. An interference canceller apparatus that eliminates interference from an other user by generating an interference replica of the other user and subtracting the interference replica from a received signal, comprising:

first hard deciding means for carrying out a hard decision on a signal after performing error correcting 25 decoding on the received signal;

second hard deciding means for carrying out a hard decision on a signal before performing error correcting decoding on the received signal;

error detecting means for carrying out error detection on a signal after the first hard decision; and

replica generating means for generating, when the error detection result shows that the signal after the 5 first hard decision is erroneous, the replica using a signal after the second hard decision.

3. An interference canceller apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said replica generating means generates, when 10 the error detection result shows that the signal after the first hard decision is errorless, the replica using a signal obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the signal after the first hard decision.

15 4. An interference canceller apparatus that eliminates interference from an other user by generating an interference replica of the other user and subtracting the interference replica from a received signal, comprising:

20 hard deciding means for carrying out a hard decision on a signal after performing error correcting decoding on the received signal;

soft deciding means for carrying out a soft decision on a signal before performing error correcting decoding 25 on the received signal;

error detecting means for carrying out error detection on a signal after the hard decision; and replica generating means for generating, when the

error detection result shows that the signal after the hard decision is erroneous, the replica using a signal after the soft decision.

5 5. An interference canceller apparatus according to claim 4, wherein said replica generating means generates, when the error detection result shows that the signal after the hard decision is errorless, the replica using a signal obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the
10 signal after the hard decision.

6. An interference canceller apparatus provided with a plurality of stages each for generating an interference replica of an other user and subtracting the interference
15 replica from a received signal, with at least one stage except the final stage having an interference canceller unit, the interference canceller unit, comprising:

first hard deciding means for carrying out a hard decision on a signal after performing error correcting
20 decoding on the received signal;

second hard deciding means for carrying out a hard decision on a signal before performing error correcting decoding on the received signal;

error detecting means for carrying out error
25 detection on a signal after the first hard decision;

selecting means for selecting a most suitable signal to be used for replica generation from among a signal obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the

signal after the first hard decision in the own stage, a signal obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage, and a signal after the second hard decision in 5 the own stage, based on the error detection result of the own stage and the error detection result of the previous stage; and

replica generating means for generating the replica using the selected signal.

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7. An interference canceller apparatus according to claim 6, wherein said selecting means selects, when the error detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage 15 is errorless, the signal obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage.

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8. An interference canceller apparatus according to claim 6, wherein said selecting means selects, when the error detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage is erroneous and the error detection result in the own stage shows that the signal after the first hard decision 25 in the own stage is errorless, the signal obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the signal after the first hard decision in the own stage.

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9. An interference canceller apparatus according to claim 6, wherein said selecting means selects, when the error detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage 5 is erroneous and the error detection result in the own stage shows that the signal after the first hard decision in the own stage is erroneous, the signal after the second hard decision in the own stage.

10 10. An interference canceller apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the final stage has a second interference canceller unit, the second interference canceller unit, comprising:

15 said first hard deciding means for carrying out a hard decision on a signal after performing error correcting decoding on the received signal;

20 second selecting means for selecting a signal to be used for output from among the signal after the first hard decision in the own stage and the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage, based on the error detection result of the previous stage; and

25 outputting means for outputting the selected signal.

25 11. An interference canceller apparatus according to claim 10, wherein said second selecting means selects, when the error detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the first hard decision in

the previous stage is errorless, the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage.

12. An interference canceller apparatus according to
5 claim 10, wherein said second selecting means selects,
when the error detection result in the previous stage
shows that the signal after the first hard decision in
the previous stage is erroneous, the signal after the
first hard decision in the own stage.

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13. An interference canceller apparatus provided with
a plurality of stages each for generating an interference
replica of an other user and subtracting the interference
replica from a received signal, with at least one stage
15 except the final stage having an interference canceller
unit, the interference canceller unit, comprising:

hard deciding means for carrying out a hard decision
on a signal after performing error correcting decoding
on the received signal;

20 soft deciding means for carrying out a soft decision
on a signal before performing error correcting decoding
on the received signal;

error detecting means for carrying out error
detection on a signal after the hard decision;

25 selecting means for selecting a most suitable signal
to be used for replica generation from among a signal
obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the
signal after the hard decision in the own stage, a signal

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obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the signal after the hard decision in the previous stage, and a signal after the soft decision in the own stage, based on the error detection result of the own stage and 5 the error detection result of the previous stage; and replica generating means for generating the replica using the selected signal.

14. An interference canceller apparatus according to 10 claim 13, wherein said selecting means selects, when the error detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the hard decision in the previous stage is errorless, the signal obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the signal after the hard decision 15 in the previous stage.

15. An interference canceller apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said selecting means selects, when the error detection result in the previous stage shows that 20 the signal after the hard decision in the previous stage is erroneous and the error detection result in the own stage shows that the signal after the hard decision in the own stage is errorless, the signal obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the signal after the hard 25 decision in the own stage.

16. An interference canceller apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said selecting means selects, when the

error detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the hard decision in the previous stage is erroneous and the error detection result in the own stage shows that the signal after the hard decision in the own stage is erroneous, the signal after the soft decision in the own stage.

17. An interference canceller apparatus according to
claim 13, wherein the final stage has a second interference
canceller unit, the second interference canceller unit,
comprising:

said hard deciding means for carrying out a hard decision on a signal after performing error correcting decoding on the received signal;

15 second selecting means for selecting a signal to
be used for output from among the signal after the hard
decision in the own stage and the signal after the hard
decision in the previous stage, based on the error
detection result of the previous stage; and

20 outputting means for outputting the selected
signal.

18. An interference canceller apparatus according to
claim 17, wherein said second selecting means selects,
25 when the error detection result in the previous stage
shows that the signal after the hard decision in the
previous stage is errorless, the signal after the hard
decision in the previous stage.

19. An interference canceller apparatus according to
claim 17, wherein said second selecting means selects,
when the error detection result in the previous stage
5 shows that the signal after the hard decision in the
previous stage is erroneous, the signal after the hard
decision in the own stage.

20. A base station apparatus equipped with the
10 interference canceller apparatus according to any one
of claim 1 to claim 19.

21. A mobile station apparatus equipped with the
interference canceller apparatus according to any one
15 of claim 1 to claim 19.

22. An interference elimination method for eliminating
interference from an other user by generating an
interference replica of the other user and subtracting
20 the interference replica from a received signal,
comprising:

25 a hard deciding step of carrying out a hard decision
 on a signal after performing error correcting decoding
 on the received signal;
 an error detecting step of carrying out error
 detection on a signal after the hard decision; and
 a replica generating step of generating, when the
 error detection result shows that the signal after the

hard decision is erroneous, the replica using a weighting factor to reduce the replica.

23. An interference elimination method for eliminating
5 interference from an other user by generating an interference replica of the other user and subtracting the interference replica from a received signal,
comprising:

10 a first hard deciding step of carrying out a hard decision on a signal after performing error correcting decoding on the received signal;

an error detecting step of carrying out error detection on a signal after the first hard decision; and

15 a replica generating step of generating, when the error detection result shows that the signal after the first hard decision is erroneous, the replica using a signal obtained by carrying out a hard decision on a signal before performing error correcting decoding on the received signal.

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24. An interference elimination method according to claim 23, wherein said replica generating step generates, when the error detection result shows that the signal after the first hard decision is errorless, the replica using a signal obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the signal after the first hard decision.

25. An interference elimination method for eliminating

interference from an other user by generating an interference replica of the other user and subtracting the interference replica from a received signal, comprising:

5 a hard deciding step of carrying out a hard decision on a signal after performing error correcting decoding on the received signal;

an error detecting step of carrying out error detection on a signal after the hard decision; and

10 a replica generating step of generating, when the error detection result shows that the signal after the hard decision is erroneous, the replica using a signal obtained by carrying out a soft decision on a signal before performing error correcting decoding on the received

15 signal.

26. An interference elimination method according to claim 25, wherein said replica generating step generates, when the error detection result shows that the signal after 20 the hard decision is errorless, the replica using a signal obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the signal after the hard decision.

27. An interference elimination method for an 25 interference canceller apparatus provided with a plurality of stages each for generating an interference replica of an other user and subtracting the interference replica from a received signal, whose at least one stage

except the final stage, comprising:

a first hard deciding step of carrying out a hard decision on a signal after performing error correcting decoding on the received signal;

5 a second hard deciding step of carrying out a hard decision on a signal before performing error correcting decoding on the received signal;

an error detecting step of carrying out error detection on a signal after the first hard decision;

10 a selecting step of selecting a most suitable signal to be used for replica generation from among a signal obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the signal after the first hard decision in the own stage, a signal obtained by carrying out error correcting coding 15 on the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage, and a signal after the second hard decision in the own stage, based on the error detection result of the own stage and the error detection result of the previous stage; and

20 a replica generating step of generating the replica using the selected signal.

28. An interference elimination method according to claim 27, wherein said selecting step selects, when the error 25 detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage is errorless, the signal obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the signal after the first hard

decision in the previous stage.

29. An interference elimination method according to claim 27, wherein said selecting step selects, when the error 5 detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage is erroneous and the error detection result in the own stage shows that the signal after the first hard decision in the own stage is errorless, the signal obtained by 10 carrying out error correcting coding on the signal after the first hard decision in the own stage.

30. An interference elimination method according to claim 27, wherein said selecting step selects, when the error 15 detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage is erroneous and the error detection result in the own stage shows that the signal after the first hard decision in the own stage is erroneous, a signal obtained by carrying 20 out error correcting coding on the signal after the second hard decision in the own stage.

31. An interference elimination method according to claim 27, whose final stage, comprising:
25 said first hard deciding step of carrying out a hard decision on a signal after performing error correcting decoding on the received signal;
 a second selecting step of selecting a signal to

be used for output from among the signal after the first hard decision in the own stage and the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage, based on the error detection result of the previous stage; and

5 an outputting step of outputting the selected signal.

32. An interference elimination method according to claim 31, wherein said second selecting step selects, when the 10 error detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage is errorless, the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage.

15 33. An interference elimination method according to claim 31, wherein said second selecting step selects, when the error detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the first hard decision in the previous stage is erroneous, the signal after the first hard 20 decision in the own stage.

34. An interference elimination method for an interference canceller apparatus provided with a plurality of stages each for generating an interference 25 replica of an other user and subtracting the interference replica from a received signal, whose at least one stage except the final stage, comprising:

 a hard deciding step of carrying out a hard decision

on a signal after performing error correcting decoding on the received signal;

a soft deciding step of carrying out a soft decision on a signal before performing error correcting decoding on the received signal;

an error detecting step of carrying out error detection on a signal after the hard decision;

10 a selecting step of selecting a most suitable signal
to be used for replica generation from among a signal
obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the
signal after the hard decision in the own stage, a signal
obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the
signal after the hard decision in the previous stage,
and a signal after the soft decision in the own stage,
15 based on the error detection result of the own stage and
the error detection result of the previous stage; and
a replica generating step of generating the replica
using the selected signal.

20 35. An interference elimination method according to claim
34, wherein said selecting step selects, when the error
detection result in the previous stage shows that the
signal after the hard decision in the previous stage is
errorless, the signal obtained by carrying out error
25 correcting coding on the signal after the hard decision
in the previous stage.

36. An interference elimination method according to claim

34, wherein said selecting step selects, when the error detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the hard decision in the previous stage is erroneous and the error detection result in the own stage 5 shows that the signal after the hard decision in the own stage is errorless, the signal obtained by carrying out error correcting coding on the signal after the hard decision in the own stage.

10 37. An interference elimination method according to claim 34, wherein said selecting step selects, when the error detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the hard decision in the previous stage is erroneous and the error detection result in the own stage 15 shows that the signal after the hard decision in the own stage is erroneous, the signal after the soft decision in the own stage.

38. An interference elimination method according to claim 20 34, whose final stage, comprising:

 said hard deciding step of carrying out a hard decision on a signal after performing error correcting decoding on the received signal;

 a second selecting step of selecting a signal to 25 be used for output from among the signal after the first hard decision in the own stage and the signal after the hard decision in the previous stage, based on the error detection result of the previous stage; and

an outputting step of outputting the selected signal.

39. An interference elimination method according to claim
5 38, wherein said second selecting step selects, when the error detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the hard decision in the previous stage is errorless, the signal after the hard decision in the previous stage.

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40. An interference elimination method according to claim 38, wherein said second selecting step selects, when the error detection result in the previous stage shows that the signal after the hard decision in the previous stage 15 is erroneous, the signal after the hard decision in the own stage.